

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) ~~Device~~ A device for the display and cooking of corn kernels for making popcorn, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ comprising:

~~a container (12) with a base (14) that can store corn kernels and~~

a compensating zone (16) that can take up at least two positions, one folded and the other unfolded, the compensating zone comprising four faces, two retractable faces (26) opposite two stiffening faces (28), whereby retractable faces (26) each comprise a fold (30) that is approximately in the middle of each of these faces and parallel to the base and whereby stiffening faces (28) each comprise a first fold (32), placed in the median plane, and diagonal folds (36);

means (20) for opening and closing a container by expanding the compensating zone; and

a rigid base (14) of a limited height in order to delimit a restricted space in which are stored the corn kernels when the compensating zone is in the folded position,

wherein said base (14), said compensating zone (16) and said means (20) for opening and closing are made of one piece of

material with a certain rigidity in the manner of a cardboard material.

2. (cancelled)

3. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~—for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 2, wherein first fold (32) of stiffening faces (28) comprises a cutaway (34) of the central portion that can form a window with an opening that can vary.

4. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~—for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 1, wherein it comprises means (18) for unfolding with two tabs (38), one per a retractable face (26) of said retractable faces.

5. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~—for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 4, wherein each tab (38) is affixed against ~~the~~ an outside wall of each retractable face (26).

6. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~—for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 1, wherein the opening and ~~/~~closing means (20) comprise two flaps (46, 48) that can be folded back and are each equipped with a clip (50, 52).

7. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~ for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 1, wherein the container is made of cardboard.

8. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~ for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 1, wherein it comprises a tub (62) inserted into base (14).

9. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~ for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 8, wherein tub (62) that is made from a folded mold (64) comprises a metalization sheet (66) that does not cover the zones of the mold that are brought into contact with one another because of folding.

10. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~ for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 8, further comprises:

wherein ~~at these~~ lateral walls (70) of ~~the~~ tub comprises extensions (76) that can cover a portion or the entirety of ~~the~~ inside walls of the container ~~10~~.

11. (currently amended) The device ~~Device~~ for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 8, wherein the tub comprises an element that forms a cover to isolate the food products, ~~with~~ whether in the form of a film or in the form of

a covering sheet ~~sheet~~ (78) that is made of cardboard or a semi-rigid material, connected to the lateral walls of small container (62) with a seam or glue that is ~~preferably~~ thermosetting.

12. (new) The device for the display and cooking of corn kernels according to claim 2, wherein the rigid base (14) of a limited height is one to two centimeters in height.